

YESTERDAYS in Washington.

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Celebrities Who Assembled at the Historic Old "Washington House."

When Gen. Washington had complied with the will of Congress and selected a site for the Capital of the United States, his great anxiety was to interest capitalists in the new city to be built. Through his personal influence Robert Morris, Daniel Carroll, Col. John Taylor, and others interested largely and built pretentious mansions in the Capital City.

The house on North Capitol St., Capitol Hill, long known as the "Washington House," was then but a silent looker-on.

N. Smith, who was then Secretary of the Interior, took his place in the arena and answered the proposition in no uncertain terms. The company became interested, the music ceased, and a profound consternation fell upon the listeners. George D. Prentice and Robert A. Walker took a hand in the discussion, while Edwin M. Stanton, who was then but a quiet practitioner at the bar, stood by a silent looker-on.

It took comparatively but little time that night for men to change their minds and adopt by common consent measures that would strengthen the Republic.

It will always remain one of the un-

hand in the old haunts; the music silent and the voices that made merry in those evenings back there, many of them hushed forever! He could not, if he would, rally the old corps. Their work was done, and his almost to the finish. But was it not well done?

These lovers of poetry and song built up an atmosphere of love of country. The month of Washington, of Jefferson, and of Marshall fell upon them. The legends gathered under the old roof from the early patriots took on new charms, and spoke with a new voice, through the lips of younger men. They held fast to the traditions of their fathers, to the sacrifices they had made for a Union of States, and the bonds grew stronger by the difficulties they met.

Forney says he always recurred to those symposiums as the forgotten and unsurpassed pleasures of his life; and as he sits there at the open window the men of thought and action who took part in those pleasant and profitable pastimes undoubtedly are flitting through his memory, and notwithstanding he was surrounded by an

EDWIN FORNEY.

CHAT OF THE CORRIDORS.

Gen. Joe Wheeler reached Washington last week, and called on the President on Saturday. His resignation from the army has not been accepted, but he expected a decision in a few days. He insists that the war in the Philippines is over, and that nothing more is to be done except to run galleys and a few guerrillas and irregulars. There is difficulty in this work, and there is danger, too, but its prosecution is not "war." Ambuscades are frequent and the hidden force is strong or weak; three men had been mistaken for a company in some cases. The American troops are doing splendid work in the Philippines. They are sound and healthy, and in quite as good shape as they would be at home, engaged in similar service. This is owing in a measure to the excellent care for them exhibited by officers and to the watchful precautions of the staff of the army.

The poor Indian has a tough time of it. A squad of imposing looking Osage Indians have been in the city for some days but some one made the unkind charge in the papers that they were off their reservation without permission, and that as small-pox prevailed there, they should be avoided. Therefore nobody looks kindly upon the red men as they promenade along Pennsylvania avenue.

Capt. Alvan D. Brock, of this city, was killed by an electric car at Hampton, Va., Feb. 20. Capt. Brock was one of the original members of the Soldiers and Sailors' Union, the first organization of veterans, and was a delegate, with Gen. Harrison Gray Otis, to the convention held by the Union in Chicago to secure the nomination of Gen. Grant for President. He was also one of the charter members of Lincoln Post. Capt. Brock was a native of Maine, where his early life was spent. There he learned the printer's trade, and when only a youth started a newspaper, and soon became known through the State as an original and forceful writer. As founder of the Portland Courier, and later as editor of the Bangor Whig, he helped the Abolitionist party of which he was then the first and ardent member. As the war was prolonged, he organized Co. B, 1st Me., and went to the front as Captain. For military service at Fort Mahone (the old "Fort Damnation" of Petersburg) he was recommended for promotion, and is honorably mentioned in the official records. After the war Capt. Brock was asked by Col. Forney to edit the Washington Chronicle. While managing editor of that paper he became interested in the efforts of Miss Clara Barton to have the graves of the Union soldiers who had died in Confederate prisons identified.

Capt. Brock was an Examiner in the Patent Office for some time, but he was longest and most prominently known in connection with the Government Printing Office, where he was at one time foreman of the Specification Room, and at another time foreman of the Job Room. All the weight of his influence and ability were thrown into the struggle to secure the eight hour law for the Government Printing Office, and he was largely instrumental in securing its passage through the Senate. He was a friend of James G. Blaine, and worked hard in his Presidential campaign. Capt. Brock was married in early life to Miss Martha Cheney, of Massachusetts. She died many years ago. He has two sons, one of whom is now in the army. He has five grandchildren.

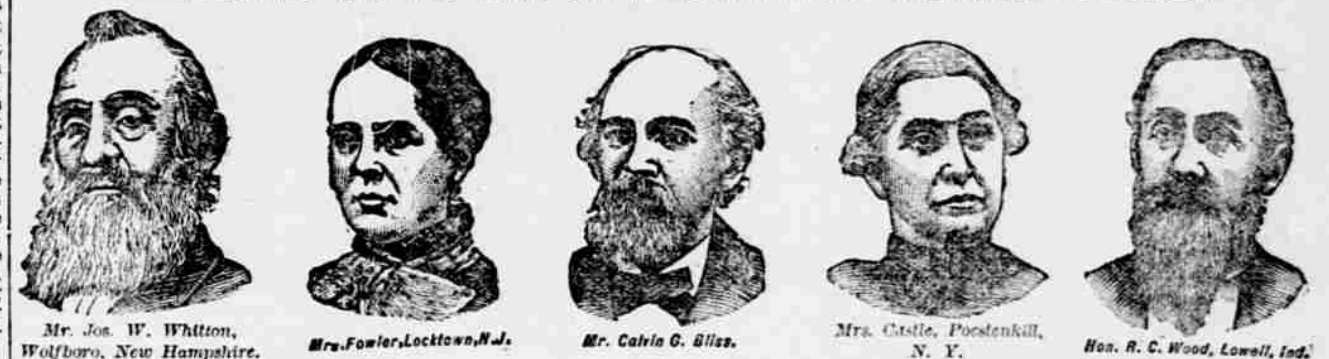
Negroes give their children queer names. Anasias Dawson was that of a 19-year-old negro who was arrested last week for turning in a false alarm of fire. He had previously turned in a true alarm, and this helped save valuable property, and his inspired him with a passion for money-making with the signal boxes.

The consideration of the Quay case will begin April 3, and be continued until a vote is reached, though it will not be allowed to interfere with the appropriation bills, conference reports, or Porto Rican bill.

All sorts of stories are current in Washington as to the origin of the feud between the old-time partners, Marcus Daly and Wm. A. Clark, which is now being fought out in the effort to keep the Senator-elect from his seat. None of these stories obtain entire credence among the Montana people. They only know that 20 years ago Daly and Clark began to be the biggest factors in Montana development, and for years they pulled together in a way that was amicable as it was forceful. Clark was a shrewd

Nature's Cure for the Kidneys and Bladder

AND URIC ACID OR RHEUMATIC CONDITIONS.



The Wonderful Kava-Kava Shrub.

A Free Gift to Every Reader.

In a recent issue our readers were informed of the discovery of the Kava-Kava Shrub, a new botanical product of wonderful power in curing kidney diseases. The Kava-Kava Shrub, or as botanists call it, *Piper Methysticum*, grows on the banks of the Ganges River, East India, and probably has been used for centuries by the natives before its extraordinary properties became known to civilization through Christian missionaries.

In this respect it is a great discovery, for it is the only plant known to cure kidney diseases. It is a powerful and safe remedy, and by its use the sufferer is brought to civilization. We have previously quoted Dr. Archibald Hodgson, the great authority on these diseases, in which he described the sufferings of both Hindus and white missionaries and soldiers on these low, malarial swamps and jungles on the Ganges. He says:

"Intense tropical heat and moisture acting upon decaying vegetation render these low grounds on the Ganges most unhealthy districts. Jungle fevers and malarial fever are common. The blood becomes deranged and the urine thick and dark colored. Life hangs in the balance. Then, when all modern medical science fails, safety is found in the prompt use of Kava-Kava. A decoction of this wonderful botanical product relieves the kidneys, the urine becomes clearer, the fever abates and recovery sets in, etc."

The kidneys may be called the strainers of the human system. Their duty is to strain out and separate from the blood various poisonous substances, such as uric acid, urates, lithates, etc., and cast them out of the system through the urine. If this is not done, these poisonous substances are retained in the joints and muscles and cause Rheumatism and Gout, or they cause diseases of the kidneys and bladder, Bright's Disease, Pain in Back, Dropsy, Bladder Disorders, and various other maladies.

Of all diseases that afflict mankind, Diseases of the Kidneys are the most fatal and dangerous, and hence the discovery of the Kava-Kava Shrub—Nature's Positive Specific Cure for Diseases of the Kidneys—is welcomed by suffering humanity, and its medical compound Alkavis universal.

merchant and banker, and Daly was the agent and manager for a large syndicate. They went into everything—mines, street cars, railroads, hotels, business buildings, banks, and politics, and prospered enormously in all. Daly is an Irishman of unusual sagacity and shrewdness, but disposed to be tyrannical in the exercise of his power. Clark was a Scotchman, a man of great energy, clean, far-seeing, collected at all times, genial and "folksy," but no less determined than the more noisy and domineering Alamy. Some time ago they arrived at the point where the two could no longer travel the same road, and it is likely that Clark was the first to announce this decision, which awakened all the venom in the Irishman's nature. The query is not what such men should quarrel over, but how they managed to get along any length of time without quarrelling.

Lieut. Victor Blue, one of the heroes of the naval West Indian campaign during the Spanish war, has been selected as Flag Lieutenant to Rear-Admiral Kempff, who has command of a division of the Asiatic squadron.

Gen. Grosvenor has been suffering from an attack of the grip which kept him confined to his bed for several days.

The House Committee on Pensions has ordered bills reported granting pensions to the widow of Col. Sillsbury of the 1st Neb., killed in the Philippines, at \$40 a month; to the widow of Capt. Capron, Jr., killed in Cuba, at \$30 a month, and to the widow of Capt. Capron, Sr., at \$25 a month. The distinction in rate in the Capron cases is due to the property owned by Mrs. Capron Sr.

Building Up the Navy.

Admiral Highborn's latest report of the progress of the work of building up the navy shows that of the battleships under construction the Kearsarge and the Kentucky at Newport News are advanced to 90 per cent. completion, and 98 per cent., respectively. The Illinois at the same place stands at 75 per cent., and the Missouri has just been started. The Alabama at Cranp is set down at 93 per cent., the Maine at the same place at 22 per cent., and the Wisconsin and the Ohio, at the Union Iron Works, at 88 per cent. and 15 per cent., respectively.

The Albany has only one of the sheathed protected cruisers upon which any work has been done. She has been practically finished, standing at 99 per cent., but work has begun on the Denver, Des Moines, Chattanooga, Galveston, Tacoma and Cleveland.

The four monitors are reported as follows: The Kansas, at Newport News, 18 per cent. completed; the Connecticut, at 41 per cent.; Florida, at Nixon's, 25 per cent.; and Wyoming, at Union Iron Works, 43 per cent. All of the 16 torpedo-boat destroyers are at last under construction, the work accomplished ranging from 10 per cent. upon the Lawrence, building by the Fore River Engine Company, down to 9 per cent. on the three boats in the yards of the Maryland Steel Company.

The 15 torpedo boats are also now on the stocks or afloat, the state of the work ranging from 98 per cent. in the case of the Goldsborough at Woll and Zwickers, to 5 per cent. on the Biddle at Bath. The submarine boat Plunger stands at 85 per cent.

Great Salt Lake.

Col. Henry Inman in New Liverpool. The water of the Great Salt Lake is clear and transparent, with a bottom of fine white sand and a margin of incrustated salt. It is one of the purest and most concentrated brines in the world. Its waters give salience to no living thing, and it is not the smallest insect or worm to frighten the most timid bather, and the bathing is the most perfect sea-bathing in the whole of North America or in Europe. No human body can sink in it. One may actually walk the water, no matter how deep it is. Your body will persistently rise up, the shoulders above the surface, or you may even sit down in it. Its wonderful buoyancy cannot be experienced to be realized. No knowledge of swimming is necessary; one may enter the lake without the slightest fear; all you have to do is to lie down and float.

But to swim in it, that is another thing! When your hands are put under the water to take a stroke, your feet, like Banquo's ghost, will not down; it is impossible to keep more than one end of your body under the water at a time. You cannot swim, but if you are a man you may float on your back with your arms crossed under your head, and smoke your pipe or cigar with as much ease as if in your room. The water is so salt that it cannot be swallowed with-

sally endorsed by the hospitals and physicians of Europe, in which it at once recorded over 1,200 cures in less than 30 days.

Hon. R. C. Wood, a prominent lawyer of Lowell, Ind., was completely cured of Rheumatism and Kidney and Bladder Disease by Alkavis. He gratefully writes as follows:

"I am now 55 years old and have used various kinds of medicines. For the past 10 years I have suffered from rheumatism and have suffered from kidney and bladder trouble for the past five years. I have been treated by all our home physicians and by three different specialists, besides having used various so-called specifics without receiving the least benefit. My bladder trouble became so troublesome that I had to get up from five to 12 times a night to urinate. In fact, I was in misery the whole time and was becoming very despondent. I have now used Alkavis and am better than I have been for five years. I know Alkavis will cure bladder and kidney trouble, and can most heartily recommend it to all sufferers. It is the cheapest and best treatment I ever received, and I feel it my duty to write this to you. You are at liberty to use this testimonial as you wish, and I will also cheerfully answer all queries writing me for particulars regarding Alkavis. It is a wonderful and grand remedy; it is powerful and safe. You will then be as enthusiastic in its praise as I am. Write me the success you deserve. I am most respectfully, Sir, your obedient servant, R. C. Wood, Attorney-at-Law and Notary Public."

The celebrated American physician, Dr. J. M. S. Thomas, reports that Alkavis promptly and effectively cured four well-marked cases of Bright's Disease among his patients, and writes:

"I have fully tested the value of the Kava-Kava Shrub (Alkavis) in kidney, bladder and urinary diseases, such as Rheumatism and Dropsical Effusions with the most remarkable and satisfactory success."

Among other leading doctors who write of the great curative effects of this New Remedy, are Dr. J. B. Cyfert of Frost, Tex., and Dr. G. C. Pritchard of Phelps, N. Y., who have used Alkavis for themselves or their patients with most remarkable success in curing Bright's Disease, Nephritis, Inflammation of the Kidneys or Bladder, Locomotor Ataxia and Rheumatism.

Rev. W. B. Moore, D. D., of Washington, D. C., Editor of the "Religious World," writes of the wonderful curative power of Alkavis in his own case, as it cured him after years of suffering from kidney and bladder disease and Rheumatism.

Mr. J. R. Butler of Clarksburg, Ark., testifies to his cure of Bright's Disease by the wonderful power of Alkavis. He writes:

"I desire to give credit where credit is due. In February, 1894, I was taken with kidney

trouble and my urine was of a very dark color, and heavy brick-dust deposits. I was confined to my room ten weeks with constant attention to my system, but at last pronounced my case Bright's Disease, and incurable. I was advised by a friend to try Alkavis, which I did. It was to be used in the form of a drink, and now I am as well as I have been in five years."

Many who suffered from the retention or too frequent passage of water through irritation of the bladder or other cause, being compelled to rise from six to 20 times a night for the purpose of relief, testify to their prompt and permanent cure by Alkavis. Particularly severe were the cases of Mr. T. H. Booth, of Ulen, Miss.; Mr. Calvin G. Bliss, North Brookfield, Mass.; the venerable Mr. Jos. W. Whitton, Wolfboro, N. H.; and Mr. Stephen Wright, of Bear Lake, Pa., who often passed blood with the urine. Both were cured by Alkavis and are earnest in its praise.

Rev. A. C. Darling, of North Constantin, Oswego Co., N. Y., writes that he had suffered for 10 years with Heart, Kidney and Bladder disorders, often having to use the vessel 16 times during the night. Alkavis promptly cured him, and, as he writes, he now sleeps all night like a baby.

Many ladies also join in testifying to the wonderful curative powers of Alkavis in kidney and allied diseases, and other troublesome affections peculiar to womanhood, which cannot with propriety be described here. Among these may be included Mrs. Susan B. Castle, Postenkill, N. Y.; Mrs. James Young, of Kent, Ohio; Mrs. Alice Evans, of Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. C. C. Fowler, Locktown, N. J.; Mrs. Mary A. Lyman, of New York; Mrs. Sarah Vunk, Edinboro, Pa.; and Mrs. L. E. Copeland, Elk River, Minn.

While Alkavis is well known in Europe, its only importers in this country so far are "The Church Kidney Cure Company," No. 421 Fourth Avenue, New York City. They are so anxious to introduce Alkavis and prove its great value that they will send free one Large Case of Alkavis prepaid by mail to every Reader of THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE, who suffers from any form of kidney or bladder disorder, Bright's Disease, Rheumatism, Cystitis, Gravel, Female Complaints and Irrigations, Dropsy, Retention or too frequent passage of water, or other affections due to improper action of the kidneys or urinary organs. At the same time a large descriptive book, Testimony of Cured Sufferers, will be sent you. All readers of this Paper who are sufferers should send their names and addresses to the Company, when they will receive the Large Case of Alkavis and Book by mail free. To prove its wonderful curative powers, it is sent to you entirely free. All asked in return is that when cured yourself, you will tell other sufferers thereof.

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